Azoxy dyes and copper complexes thereof

Abstract

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Azoxy dyes of the general formula I in the form of the free acid

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$$R^2$$

$$NH OH N=N N=N N=N NH (SO_3H)_n (SO_3H)_n$$

where

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n is 0 or 1, each

R- is selected from the group consisting of methoxy, hydroxyl and carboxyl, each

25  $R^2$  is selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, amino,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkylamino, allylamino, benzylamino and methoxycarbonylmethylamino, and the phenyl rings A may additionally be substituted by  $C_1$ - $C_8$ -alkyl, unsubstituted or methyl- or halogen-substituted phenyl, hydroxyl, amino, nitro, halogen, carboxyl, N-benzylcarbamoyl, unsubstituted or

nitro-, halogen-,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkoxy- or acetoxy-substituted phenylcarbamoyl and naphthylcarbamoyl or be benzofused,

their copper complexes, a process for prpearing the copper complex dyes, azoxy dyes of the formula I in their partially or completely deacylated form, their copper complexes, colorants comprising these azoxy dyes and/or their copper complexes and also their use for dyeing and printing natural or synthetic substrates.

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